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The News.

The Republicans achieved another victory yesterday, in the House of Representatives, by electing ex-Lieut. Governor Thomas H. Ford, of Ohio, Printer to that body. On the third ballot Mr. Ford received 93 votes, just the requisite number. After the election of Printer, the death of Hon. Cyrus Spinck, who was elected a Representative to Congress from the XIVth District of Ohio, but died before Congress met, was announced by his successor, Hon. Harrison G. Blake, with brief eulogies by Messrs. Sherman and Curtis.

Prof. Chauncey A. Goodrich, of Yale College, died in New Haven on Saturday.

We have no further intelligence from the wrecked steamer Hungarian. A dispatch has reached St. Catherines, C. W., stating that Mr. Merritt, Member of Parliament, was not on board the unfortunate steamer, as had been reported.

THE CITY TICKET.

The consequences which hinge upon the defeat of the Republican City Ticket, leave no man room for hesitation or doubt. They are, primarily,

1st. The restoration of the Irish ascendancy in all the departments of the city government which shall fall under Democratic control; the importation of a horde of Irish laborers for the streets and for the ballot boxes next fall; an Irish police through and through from Chief downward. What these items signify, who that lived in Chicago during the life of the Dyer dynasty does not know? The saturnalia of all that is rowdyish and vicious, the triumph of harlotry and rum, danger to life and property everywhere through the incompetence or connivance of the appointed guardians of the peace—enormous taxation, and nothing to show therefor. These things will surely be in the event of Democratic success. The influence of all the officers named on the Douglas ticket could not prevent it. They are in the hands of their party, and must govern through and by it—by and with the material it affords, and for the interest and pleasure of those who in great part compose and control it. Nothing can be more certain!

If. The revival of the hopes of the Democracy throughout the State. To this point the Republicans elsewhere are looking with anxiety, that they do not care to conceal. They fear that the dissensions here will lead to a Republican overthrow; and that they must everywhere after election encounter the disparagement which the loss of this city would visit upon our friends, and the boasting and shouting of the border ruffians from Galena to Cairo, that Republicanism in Chicago is wiped out.

III. The loss of the South District, and the return thereto of two Douglasites to the Legislature next fall, whose votes may decide the election of an United States Senator to the seat which Lyman Trumbull now fills; whose votes also may defeat the righteous Apportionment law by which the political power will be transferred to the Republican end of the State where it rightfully belongs; whose votes may be necessary to carry out the scheme of which the Democrats already boast—the old Lecompton charter scheme, whereby the rights heretofore enjoyed by the majority in this city may be trampled upon by the minority.

Are our Republican friends ready to run the risk of these things? Admit that the ticket is not satisfactory to all—are they willing to pay the penalty which its defeat entails? Admit that Mr. Gurnee would endeavor to make a good Mayor—is Chicago so badly governed now that we must pay such an enormous price for a change? Admit that the partisan features of the strife are kept in the back ground by Mr. Gurnee and his friends—is it not certain that they are thrust out of sight that a Democratic triumph may be more certain, and the consequences which we have pointed out as those to be attained may be more surely compassed?

GREELEY AND DOUGLAS.

Our Washington correspondent is, perhaps, unduly severe in his comments upon the course of Mr. Greeley. That the editor-in-chief of the N. Y. *Tribune* desired the re-election of Mr. Douglas to the United States Senate in 1858 is not to be denied; and that his course in regard to the matter endangered the election of our State ticket that year, is equally indisputable. But the abundant opportunities which he has since enjoyed for acquiring a truer estimate of the man, has undoubtedly convinced him of his error, and we are very confident that he would labor as zealously for the defeat of Douglas, should he be the nominee of the Charleston Convention, as for that of any other person named in connection with that nomination. That Mr. Greeley was guilty of a grave indiscretion in attempting to increase the chances of Douglas before that Convention, is conceded by every person whom we have heard express an opinion on the subject; but we acquit him of any graver offence than this. It was well known that the chief strength of Douglas in the Convention would come from the Northwestern States. Six months ago it was conceded, both by friend and foe, that he would carry a larger number of the delegates from those States than he has been able to do. Had Mr. Greeley been content with merely expressing the belief that Douglas would secure the delegates from Michigan, Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin and Indiana, he would have stated what had previously been conceded, and in so doing would have created no false impression as to Douglas' strength. But he did more than this—he made it the basis of a prediction that Douglas was almost certain to get the nomination. Here was the mistake. Our Washington correspondent relates its effect upon the drooping hopes of the Douglasites. We do not believe that Mr. Greeley was moved by this consideration to write the letter in question. We think, rather, that his zeal in behalf of a particular nomination by the Chicago Convention, betrayed him into the indiscretion of unduly magnifying the chances of Douglas, under the belief that in so doing he was increasing the chances of his own favorite for the Republican nomination. The same motive also, in our opinion, led Mr. Greeley to overrate the popularity of Mr. Douglas in the Western States. The object undoubtedly was to turn the thoughts of Republicans towards a particular candidate as the only person who could carry these States against Douglas in November next.

This is our explanation of the origin of the letter which has mystified so many people and led to so many conflicting conjectures and not a little harsh criticism on the part of Republicans. That the N. Y. *Tribune* will be found unwavering zealously for the nomination of the Chicago Convention, whether Mr. Greeley's favorite candidate is successful or not in the National Convention, we do not entertain a doubt. We do not believe it desires the success of Mr. Douglas in 1860, whatever may have been its wishes in 1858.

STRANGE, ISN'T IT?

The Douglasites complain bitterly that the contest in this city is taking a *partisan* turn. Strange isn't it, that a Democratic Convention should meet here in a public hall, nominate a ticket and pass a series of resolutions; that a large purse should be raised for expenditure to secure a Democratic victory; that Democratic meetings should be nightly held in every Ward; that importations of Irish voters should be made in open day; that Republicans should be abused in every grog-shop and bar-room for two whole weeks, and the suspicion should not be aroused that this is a political, not a personal fight?

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

President-Making.

[Special Correspondence of the Press and Tribune.]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24, 1860.

Since the appearance of Mr. Greeley's letter from the West to the *N. Y. Tribune*, the partisans of Douglas have exhibited renewed confidence. That letter revived their drooping hopes, and they are now playing the game of brag, and quoting Greeley as authority. Douglas understands the art of making an impression on the minds of the wavering or indifferent. He has organized a force of disciplined "blowers and strikers," and quartered them about the various Washington hotels. If one would believe the stories they relate, he will conclude that Douglas will be nominated at Charleston by acclamation, and elected without opposition. The darkeys who beat the gongs in the hotels, make less noise and racket than these howling Dervishes. A stranger from the rural districts has hardly time to enter his name on the register before he is button-holed and placed in process of manipulation. No other Presidential aspirant ever resorted to the little tricks to swell himself into imposing dimensions into the eyes of the crowd. He has a singular faculty of "wringing in" telegraphic despatches upon the Associated Press, and "dead-heading" pulleys over the wires. He has four agencies at work to keep him before the people, and magnify his prospects, viz: the Washington hotel blowers; the "neutral" (?) agents of the Associated Press; a corps of speech-frankers, and the Editor of the N. Y. *Tribune*. The latter has probably contributed more to create the impression that Douglas will receive the Charleston nomination than either of the other agencies. After the course it pursued in the Illinois Senatorial struggle, is it unreasonable to suppose that the wish may be father to the thought? Not satisfied with proclaiming that Douglas will be the Democratic nominee, and consuming columns of space in manufacturing "availability" for him, the *Tribune* caps the climax of its services, by insisting that the Chicago Convention shall run a Fillmorette against him!—lest a Republican candidate might beat his favorite.

But passing from these considerations, what are the sober facts of the matter? How much chance does Douglas stand of getting the Charleston Nomination, after making full allowance for his game of brag, and all the other hot-bed appliances, employed to force him ahead against the Southern current bearing him towards the great gulph of political perdition? The Democracy may be divided into two classes: Douglasites and anti-Douglasites. The latter is subdivided among a dozen candidates, but the friends of each make common cause against a Squatter-Sovereign. The first work on their hands is, to remove him from the track; that done, they can fight or toss up for the nominee. The bond of union against Douglas is, that *he is not "sound on the goose"*; that he is not a "National Democrat;" that he is a "sectional" candidate; and his following is to be found only in one section of the Union; and that, unfortunately, in the sectional section—the North. His squatter-sovereignty doctrines are the sentiments of only a (Northern) fraction of the Democratic party. The "National" "conservative" section of the party—the South, repudiates unfriendly legislation and squatter-sovereignty as impious heresies and undemocratic humbugs.

There is only one conceivable contingency in which he can be nominated at Charleston, and that is, the South must be made to believe that no other man can beat his Northern candidate, and that he can certainly do it. Upon this if it shall appear to the slaveholders that the Chicago nominee can probably defeat him, they would rather jump into the fire than to be beaten, with the author of squatter-sovereignty. The whole mass of the Democratic party South hold the doctrine that slavery is a National institution; they have elevated it among the *divinities*; they claim that it goes into the Territories by virtue of the Constitution, and that neither Congress nor the people of the Territories can exclude it. And furthermore, that it is the duty of Congress to enact a Federal slave code to protect slaveholders against the unfriendly legislation of the squatters. These positions are well defined articles of National Democratic faith. The Douglasites, on the other hand, are a heterodox faction, found in the Republican States of the North, who have attempted to erect a bass wood platform—half free-soil and half pro-slavery—and who blow cold and hot between the great antagonistic sentiments of freedom and slavery. The two segments of the Democracy are at variance on a great fundamental issue, and the South takes no steps backward. Having taken its position that slavery is "national," and freedom "sectional," it will not back down at Charleston to suit the necessities of Douglas's position.

Senator Fitch, in his late speech, tells the South that "if she lowers her creed to the level of Squatter Sovereignty, which is more than "gerous to the South than the Wilmot Proviso, "the National Democrats of the North will surrender at once, and not continue a useless warfare in behalf of a constitutional principle *vital only to the South.*" He tells the slave holders, "that if they reward treachery and apostacy "to their cause, they must not complain if "Northern Democrats take the bits in their "teeth, and run a race with the Republicans for "Abolition support." He touched a responsive chord when he made this appeal to the slave holders.

Douglas's supposed "availability"—his strength at the North, which Greeley estimates so highly—consists in the antagonism of his doctrines to the fundamental principles of Democracy at the South. Between Squatter Sovereignty and a Federal Slave Code there is an "irrepressible conflict." There can be no compromise nor harmony between the opposite propositions that slavery is the creature of local law, and that it is a National constitutional institution, entitled to Federal protection. Should the Charleston Convention nominate Douglas on a Squatter Sovereignty platform, they would have to repudiate the whole Southern representation in Congress; they would expose their party to a raking, destructive fire in the rear from the Americans, who would at once entrench themselves behind the abandoned positions and now great guns in the Democratic ranks. With Douglas for a candidate, and Squatter Sovereignty for a platform, the Democracy will be routed in Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, Virginia, Maryland and Missouri, and will only save themselves from annihilation in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, South Carolina, Louisiana, Florida and Arkansas, by bolting the nomination and putting up another candidate. The nomination of Douglas would work very much as if the Chicago Convention should take up Fillmore and present him to the Republicans. But suppose that the Charleston Convention first constructs a strong pro-slavery platform, repudiating Squatter Sovereignty, and then nominates Douglas—thus making a compromise—the North getting the candidate and the South the platform—what becomes of Douglas's *availability*, in such an event? What Northern State could he carry? Would he not be the weakest possible candidate the Democrats could nominate for the North?

But there is another view of this matter which is this: Squatter Sovereignty and unfriendly legislation are not the principles of the Northern Democracy, but only of a faction of it. This fact is left out of sight by most persons when calculating chances at Charleston. And the delegates selected from the various Northern States amply prove this statement. Let us run through the list and see how they stand:

Beginning with New York, we find rival delegations appointed—one sent openly opposed to Douglas, and the other not committed or pledged to him. The Democracy of the Empire State have never adopted Squatter Sovereignty in their platforms or advocated it from stump or in newspaper. They claim to be "National," and stand by and support the demands of the Southern Democracy. Douglas can not count on a single vote from New York at Charleston.

The active friends of Squatter Sovereignty in Pennsylvania have been read out of the Democratic party. Those that remain have no intention of impairing or forfeiting their standing in the party by pressing the claims of Douglas. The 27 votes of the Keystone State may be set down as dead against him. There may be three or four delegates who would like to see him nominated, but they will submit to the voice of the majority of their delegation. It is hardly worth while to enumerate farther. If Douglas cannot secure the Pennsylvania Delegation at Charleston, he is a dead cock in the pit. He never was popular with the masses in that State, and should he receive the Charleston nomination he stands scarcely a ghost's chance of carrying the State at the polls, against the compact, harmonious and powerful People's organization.

As to New England, Douglas will have a portion of their delegates, but not all of them. They will not exercise much influence, as they all represent hopelessly Republican States, and will only be allowed to vote by courtesy.

Conceding to Douglas the seven North Western States, their united support will only count 46 votes out of 303. But he is not sure of all their votes. His friends were beaten in Minnesota. Three Districts in Ohio and four in Indiana are known to be represented by Anti-Douglas Delegates. The atmosphere of Charleston will not contribute to soften their prejudices against him.

Let us give him sixty-six votes from the Northwest, and add twenty-five from New England, and throw in half a dozen from Missouri, and two or three from Maryland, which his friends are claiming for him, and you have a scant hundred, or less than *half the requisite number.* Where is the other half to come from? Will the South furnish them? Will the South deliberately strike down its true and steadfast cohorts in the North, who have supported its cause through evil as well as good report? Will the South sacrifice the large masses of National Democrats in Indiana, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, California and Oregon, and reduce them to a condition of vassalage to the Squatter Sovereign heretics? Will the South deliberately put the knife to the throats of any of its reliable followers and satellites in the North? My candid opinion of the whole matter is, that Douglas does not really expect to be nominated; but he wants to make a formidable show of strength, enough to enable him to dictate who shall be the nominee. It is said that Stephens of Georgia is the man he will throw his strength upon, after the second or third ballot, with the explicit understanding that Stephens will support him in 1864. The South has not had the Presidency for eleven years. By taking a Southern man this time, it opens the way for a Northern candidate next time. Before four years roll away, Squatter Sovereignty and its cognate humbugs will be dead and forgotten, and Douglas will have done penance and received absolution, and be taken into full fellowship in the Democratic church; this is doubtlessly his secret reasoning. See if the results do not verify my predictions.

CHICAGO.

Rev. J. S. Haskell.

In justice to this gentleman, we publish the following instrument, which will show by what authority he is on his present mission:

To the Preachers, Brethren and Sisters of the M. E. Church, and friends of Africa generally:—

BELOVED FRIENDS.—Your Brethren and Sisters in the bonds of Christianity, living in this city, are compelled through an imperative necessity, and by your call you to assist them in this time of need, to have a large house in which ourselves, our friends, our neighbors, and this community, worship God. To claim a claim standing upon the building which amounts to fifteen hundred dollars, which must be paid immediately, or we must leave the house entirely. We have done all we can in this our last resort. We have commissioned our now beloved brother, the Rev. Jonathan J. Haskell, to visit you, so receive for us what your kindness may incline you to be. A true record will be kept of your liberality (and published to your and our cause, and the cause of our beloved Redeemer.

Brethren and friends help us, and God will reward you. He loveth the cheerful giver, and may the blessed Lord smile propitiously upon you, and upon us, and upon our brother who is bonest manifest no disposition to make the required concessions.

Yours in the Bonds of the Gospel.

JOHN HANSON,
HENRY BROWN,
W. L. BOYLSTON, } Trustees.
W. W. BRYANT,
G. W. CULLISON,
R. R. ADKINS.

Territory of Nebraska, County of Otoe.—I, W. L. Hoyleston, a Notary Public in and for said county, certify that the within named persons are the Trustees of the First M. E. Church of Nebraska City, and as such they are entitled to full faith and credit.

Witness my hand and seal of office at Nebraska City, N. T., this 9th day of June, A. D., 1860. W. L. HOYLESTON, Notary Public.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, BOONE COUNTY, S. S.—I, Daniel H. Whitney, Clerk of the Circuit Court, in and for said County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original document. Witness my hand and seal of said Court at Belvidere, this 25th day of February, A. D., 1860.

D. H. WHITNEY, Clerk.

By H. C. DE MUNN, Deputy.

Divide and Conquer.

The *N. Y. Tribune's* Washington correspondent says:

A scheme is on foot here, under the encouragement of the Democratic organization, for dividing the Republican strength in Connecicut and Rhode Island, at the approaching elections. The new-third party may be used for this purpose, as in Pennsylvania in 1856, being a mere tail to the kite of Locofocoism, and so designed by some of the leading managers of the movement, who opened free quarters here at the beginning of the session, with means furnished by interested parties behind the scenes. Our friends should be on the alert in both States, or they will be defeated by the results of a secret organization, which has already been initiated in Philadelphia and other places.

The warning is quite as much needed in Illinois as it is in Connecticut and Rhode Island. The Democracy are at the bottom of the third party movement here as well as there.

JOLIET.—A citizens' meeting at Joliet has nominated the following ticket for city officers: For Mayor, Francis Goodspeed; for Marshal, Edward L. Booth; for Assessor, Michael Sebastian; Collector, Abraham Houghtaling; Treasurer, Thomas Holton, Jr.; City Attorney, John F. Cleghorn; City Surveyor, Adam Comstock.

☞ Rev. Mr. Wolcott's third letter, in rejoinder to Dr. Rice, will be found on the second page.

From Massachusetts.

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—Alonzo P. Berrill, broker, at 18 State street, has been charged with dealing in counterfeit and broken bank bills. Several hundred dollars of the stuff was found in his possession.

Six hundred shoemakers of Haverhill, about two-thirds of the number employed there, organized to-day for a strike. The strikers at Lynn, Marblehead, Saugus, Natick, and other places, remain quiet but firm, and present the

Death of Prof. Goodrich.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Rev. Chauncey Allen Goodrich, Professor of Pastoral Theology at Yale College, died at his residence in New Haven, on Saturday.

Grace Heenan, a domestic in Tenth street, on Saturday night burnt to death her illegitimate child. She insists that it was still born.

From Mexico.

MATAMORAS, Feb. 13.—The Mexican war steamer Fire arrived on the 7th, dismasted.

The U. S. Marines at Tehuantepec had to interfere to prevent Americans from being driven out.

Another Camphene Murder.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 27.—The wife of Benj Stinson, formerly Post Master in this city was burnt to death this evening by the breaking of a fluid lamp.

Large Check Stolen.

LOUISVILLE, Feb. 27.—Phillips, Nixon & Co.'s certified check on the Bank of New Orleans for $6,100.15, was lost or stolen to-day.

THE CITY.

REPUBLICAN CITY TICKET.

For Mayor—JOHN WENTWORTH.
For Treasurer—A. HARVEY.
For Attorney—JOHN LYLE KING.
For Collector—JOHN RABER.
For Marshal—IVER LAWSON.
For Surveyor—GEORGE W. WILSON.

STREET COMMISSIONERS.
South Division—PETER WOLF.
North Division—GEORGE ENERR.
West Division—WM. M. DUNN.

WARD.	ALDERMEN.	CONSTABLES.
First—	WILLIAM COLBY.	CHAS. F. CHILSON.
Second—	J. M. VAN OSDEL.	J. COURTWRIGHT.
Third—	MIRAM JOY.	R. E. COOK.
Fourth—	L. LAMPERTZ.	E. ADCOCK.
Fifth—	R. H. FOSS.	R. CARTHEW.
Sixth—	J. W. COBB.	A. KOVATS.
Seventh—	G. S. HUBBARD.	HENRY JAMES.
Eighth—	J. G. MACLAY.	MOSES F. HARRIS.
Ninth—	LEVI BATES.	SAM. A. ELLIS.
Tenth—	JOHN SHULGEN.	ANTHONY OTTO.

☞ G. Mirasole will give a Grand Soiree this (Tuesday) evening, at his Dancing Academy, corner of Madison and Clark streets, and extends an invitation to his friends and scholars.

☞ Gilbert & Sampson sell this morning at 9½ o'clock, at 82 Lake street, an extensive assortment of all kinds of furniture, new and second hand, also carpets and mirrors.

HON. J. R. GIDDINGS' Y. M. A. LECTURE.—The lecture by Hon. J. R. Giddings before the Young Men's Association on Thursday evening, on "*John Quincy Adams*," will be one of the most marked of the course.

THE OTTAWA RESCUE CASES.—The trial of the cases of the Ottawa Rescuers, John Hossack and the two Stouts, indicted for an alleged violation of the Fugitive Slave Law, is to be taken up in the United States District Court this morning.

MILWAUKEE MAILS.—The Chicago & Milwaukee Railroad Company having put on an additional train, there will be, hereafter, two daily mails (except Sunday) dispatched for Waukegan, Kenosha, Racine and Milwaukee, closing at 8 A. M., and 10:30 A. M.

☞ All who mean to secure good seats at the Exhibition of the Universalist Sunday School at Metropolitan Hall to-night, must go early. Nearly 2,000 tickets are sold, and there will be a rush. It is unquestionably to be the finest thing of the kind ever got up in Chicago.

REV. MR. HUMPHREY'S LECTURE TO-NIGHT.—The lecture on "*Western Mind*," by Rev. Z. M. Humphrey, this evening, before Bryant, Bell & Stratton's Commercial College, deserves to attract a large audience. The public are generally invited.

THE NEW CITY RAILWAY BARN.—The ruins of their State street barn were still smoking yesterday, when the City Railway Company had already taken measures to replace the burned structure with a substantial brick edifice, forty feet in front, by one hundred and fifty feet deep, to give stable accommodations for one hundred and twenty-five horses. A lot of fifty feet adjoining has been leased by the Company, who will erect thereon a car house or depot for their State street line. Both structures are to be built forthwith.

FOUND DROWNED.—The body of an unknown man was taken from the river at Halsted street, yesterday morning, far advanced towards decomposition. The body was that of a man about five feet six inches in height, between thirty and forty years of age, having dark hair. It was dressed in a black broadcloth coat, tightly buttoned, a jean frock underneath, woolen comforter, white shirt, black satinet pants, kip boots and leathern belt around the waist. In his pockets was found simply an empty wallet. The body will be kept for a few days at the Cemetery vault by the Coroner for purpose of identification.

SUCCESS IN LIFE.—Wm. Wathens, Esq., of the Young Men's Association, will repeat this evening before Sloan's Commercial College, his lecture on "Success in Life," which a few weeks ago was received by a crowded audience with continual bursts of applause, and was so warmly noticed by the leading journals of the city. The performance, we hardly need repeat, was one of the most brilliant and telling of the season. Abounding alike in original thought, shrewd practical suggestions, and pungent wit, and as it is now to be delivered, we counsel our readers one and all to seize the opportunity of hearing such a lecture as they can rarely hear FREE OF CHARGE.

There are several admirable appliances that must be briefly noticed. She may put on a stream of steam or hot water from her boiler through a separate discharge pipe below, to thaw out a frozen plug. By another pipe above, she may keep at any temperature the water in her tank, so she cannot freeze up herself nor be *frozen out* of her duty.

While we were collecting these facts, a sudden excitement took possession of the inmates of the engine house. The big bell struck a fire alarm. The two white horses were led out, themselves all eager to be off, and away went the Little Giant at top speed. While other machines were drawn by four horses, a single pair sufficed to draw her easily through the very heavy track of lower South Clark street.

POLICE.

SUSPICIOUS.—Two young men, William Fitz and Albert Burton, aged respectively 18 and 15 years, were arrested for vagrancy. They were found asleep in a car at the Central depot. In their possession were found a large quantity of letters, directed to different persons, several knives, two pocket books, pawn tickets for two watches and a shawl, flask, and several other traps, which they pretended to have found in the car. They both plead guilty to vagrancy, and the youngest was sent to the Reform School and the other fined $50.

LARCENY.—Louisa Dracey, a well appearing middle-aged woman, was arrested for stealing $25 in bank bills from one John Stang, living on Liberty street. The case was dismissed, owing to lack of testimony.

FAST YOUTHS.—William J. Foster alias Benton, was arrested on complaint of A. J. Dean for being disorderly. Dean testified that Foster came to his livery stable on Saturday and hired a horse and wagon. He was gone all the afternoon, abused the horse, and ended up by stealing the whip. The same young man was tried at the last term of the Recorder's Court for forgery, but escaped on the grounds that he was under age. The charge of disorderly conduct was dropped and he was sent before the Court to answer to the charge of larceny.

James Cook was arrested at the same time with Foster. His case was continued until this morning.

DISORDERLY.—August Hauke, disorderly conduct, gave special bail.

DRUNK.—Among the simple drunks were, John Carroll, a little fellow from whisky point, indulged too freely in his native beverage. He was fined $10, but the execution was suspended on a promise to leave town.

Elizabeth Johnson was found in her house excessively drunk, beating her husband with an axe helve, and refusing to let her children in, who were out in the street. She was fined $10.

Seth Taylor, a well appearing young man from New York, who had come here on business, got drunk before he transacted it, and was fined $3.

Peter Troube was found in the street stupidly drunk, and was fined $15.

"BIG INJIN" IN TROUBLE.—One Jackson, a Pottawottomie Indian from Sheboygan, was arrested for having indulged in too much "firewater," but having promised to "puche che wigwam," or go home, he was sent off without punishment.

HALL THIEF.—John Riley, a rough looking customer, who was arrested a few days since for stealing a quantity of buck saws, and shovels, but was discharged for lack of evidence, was found Sunday night in the hall of the house No. 116 Wabash avenue, prowling around evidently intending to steal. His depredations were interrupted by some of the boarders who collared him and gave him to the police. He was fined $30.

Pike's Peak and Lake Superior Quartz Mills and Machinery.

We find sundry signs that our enterprising manufacturers and merchants are aware that there will be a large tide of emigration setting towards Pike's Peak in the Spring, and that Chicago has claims as a point of outfit surpassed by no other city. We were reminded of this yesterday by looking in at one of the shops of Messrs. P. W. Gates & Co., on the West Side, where we found a group of citizens and strangers examining a machine then in operation on our lime stone rock, showing its capacities and capabilities in the direction so coveted by miners, the reduction of the gold-bearing quartz. The principle of this quartz-crusher is the well known stamp mill, into which, however, this Chicago firm have introduced several new and valuable features. The mills are of three sizes, the smallest being six stamps of 300 lbs. each, at $600; the medium size, six stamps of 400 lbs. at $700; and the largest, six stamps of 500 lbs. each at $800. These stamps are in each case ranged in sets of three, and by cams of peculiar shape are raised to fall like gigantic pestles, twenty inches, upon the quartz, in a cast iron mortar, through which a small stream of water is conducted. It is claimed that the smallest mill will crush from five to eight tons of quartz per day.

A prominent feature in these mills, as made by this firm, was shown by the fact that the mill, with 500 lb stamps, yesterday, was being run with a seven horse power engine at 50 lbs of steam, and it is claimed this is *one-half* less power than the same work has ever been accomplished by before. A pulverizing machine, costing only $300, is made to be used in connection with the stamps, and thus fully double the amount of work performed. This latter is an invention of this firm, and a patent has been procured for it. Old California miners, several of whom have seen it, pronounce the Mill and Pulverizer superior to anything they have ever seen, and have given their certificates to that effect.

These machines are justly attracting much attention, and all intending to embark in mining operations at Pike's Peak will do well to see the Mill and Pulverizer, or, as the next best thing, send for one of P. W. Gates & Co.'s circulars. Their relations with the mining region this season promise to become so important that David R. Fraser, Esq., of their firm leaves for the gold region next week, to superintend the business matters of the firm there.

Are all our Chicago mechanics and merchants aware of the trade, claims and promise of the gold region, and the emigration thither? What are they severally doing to secure it?

The New Amoskeag Steam Fire Engine.

The new steam fire engine, the "Little Giant," from the Amoskeag Works, at Manchester, N. H., has been long enough in our city to have won many friends. Indeed many of the most inveterate sticklers for the old system seem only to have been waiting until now to yield to the claims of the steam fire engine. And its experience here has been no parade day affair. Our readers will remember that the manufacturers of this engine only asked that it should be adopted or rejected after a fair and satisfactory test of its excellences, and to this it has been subjected, and has come out, as regards the verdict of citizens, victorious in all.

It has been long and faithfully tested at the plugs and thrown its streams of water, two and four, under all the circumstances and conditions that experienced ingenuity could suggest. Better too, that it has been out on nine occasions to actual service at fires, in all of these working well, and as the result of none of them requiring a penny's outlay for repairs, being apparently now in as good order as when it came from the shop, which speaks well for its durability, and is a record which no other engine in use here can show. As we are just now forming our steam fire department, and the question of merits, comparative and actual, is before our citizens, a brief description of the "Little Giant" may interest many readers. It is a machine weighing about 6,000 pounds, and rests upon four wheels. We present as follows the measurements taken of the machine:

Height of hind wheels	4 ft. 8 in.
Height of fore wheels	3 ft. 4 "
Length of wheel base	5 ft. 4 "
Width of track	5 ft. 3 "
Length, (axle to axle)	9 " 6 "

The machine is so hung as to carry three-fifths of the entire weight upon the rear axle, which is 34 inches in diameter. The fire box is "built into the rear axle," or to speak more properly, the ends of the axle are firmly attached to either side of the fire box. The boiler is cylindrical, upright, and directly upon the fire box. The latter is, in the clear, 3 feet high by 3 feet 4 in. across the rear, being rounded to ward the front of the machine. The fire box is entirely surrounded by water, the chamber ranging from seven-eighths to 1¼ inches in thickness.

Above the fire box the space is divided into one hundred and ninety-nine flues or tubes, 1¼ inches in diameter, and 23 inches in length. Above these is an open chamber 3 feet in diameter and 18 inches high, compressed in the center at the latter height to 14 inches, forming the flue through the steam dome, and connecting with the short smoke stack. If we are at all clear in the matter, it will be seen that she has a water surface of such extent as to prove a great economizer of fuel.

The pumps are driven by two vertical 7½ in. cylinders fastened upon the steam dome, and connecting downward upon a solid eccentric driving wheel on either end of the shaft across the machine at the rear of the fire-box, carrying a rotary pump, geared inside, and of a discharging capacity of 600 gallons per minute. The feed pumps are the most approved locomotive pattern, one on each side. Either of sufficient capacity to supply the boiler, but better guarding against accident to either. In case both fail, a connection may be made from the main pump by opening a valve.

The water tank is a cylinder six feet long by 17 inches in diameter compactly built and braced at right angles to the steame dome, and running forward, forming the connection with the forward axles upon which it rests on a perpendicular hollow column. Within this is the India-rubber spring. Similar springs are attached to the rear bearings.

She takes water from either side just below her main pump, and has the advantage of being able, by turning a stop cock, to allow a hydrant stream to pass directly through her trunk upon the fire by its own force, or instantaneously to give it the force of her pump. From the main pump a copper discharging pipe passes forward through the centre of the water tank into an air chamber in front of the same where either or all of the four 2½ inch discharging pipes may be used at pleasure.

Chicago Manufactures—One Point Gained.

It is now agreed that Chicago must not rely alone upon her commerce for permanent growth and increasing prosperity. Our railroads, centering here from every section of the fertile West, with our canal and the lakes, have rendered sure our commercial position. But valuable as that is, the manufacturing advantages of our city are scarcely less important. Our citizens must add raines to the raw material, by their labor and skill, if they would achieve for the city the highest good. Every dollar so added is so much solid capital, secured for future success.

In this connection it affords us the greatest pleasure to claim for Chicago skill, we might say art, in one department of industry pre-eminent success. Our readers generally may not know what has long been well understood among leading sportsmen, that in George T. Abbey, Esq., Chicago possesses a citizen who, in the manufacture of rifles, guns, pistols, &c., has no superior in the United States. A leading sportsman at our elbow, who has had large experience in such matters, assures us that he has no superior anywhere.

We examined yesterday a rifle just finished by Mr. Abbey for Capt. Peters, of the British Army, who, after studying the workmanship of other cities, gave his order to our skillful townsman, intending to take the rifle to Europe as a specimen of American skill.

We have no fears as to the result. Any description we could present, not being expert in such matters, would not satisfy our sporting friends, all of whom in speaking distance, will, of course, call and see the rifle itself. Those who never spend an hour in field sports, may possibly think this a small matter; but the superiority of our mechanical skill in this regard, will be fully appreciated by a large class of our readers.

We also examined, yesterday, a fine double-barreled shot gun—barrels of laminated steel—just finished by Mr Abbey for a gentleman in Cleveland. It is really a finished piece of workmanship. Dealers in Cleveland import the best English guns, and it is a compliment to Chicago that a citizen of Cleveland was satisfied he could best get his money's worth here.

Mr. Abbey recently filled an order for a splendid target pistol and two rifles from Capt. John Travis of Memphis, Tenn., said to be the best pistol shot in the world.

Sportsmen have justly come to believe, that when they have one of Mr. Abbey's best guns they need not expect to find its superior, and very rarely its equal in the hands of a fellow-sportsman.

FIRES.

THE CITY RAILWAY COMPANY'S STATE STREET BARN DESTROYED—NINE HORSES BURNED—LOSS $8,500.—About half past 10 A. M. yesterday an alarm of fire was sounded for the Second District, caused by the burning of a large wooden building on State street near Archer road, owned by the City Railway Company, and occupied by them as a barn and car house. The building was about 150 feet in length, and at the time of the fire contained about $500 worth of hay and grain, 71 horses and three cars. All of the horses except nine were extricated. Three cars were also burned, about $1,000 worth of lumber piled upon the premises, and $300 worth of doors, harnesses, &c., belonging to W. H. Eddy, the former proprietor of the building. The stable itself was entirely consumed in a very short time, but the Fire Department were able to render efficient service in staying the spread of the flames. Two of the cars burned were first-class and new, the other was second-class. Several of the horses were valuable animals. A large number of implements and harnesses were burded. The entire loss of the company is about $8,500—insured for $6,000, as follows: Firemen's $2,500, Etna $1,000, Connecticut $2,500. The origin of the fire is unknown at present. It was first discovered in the stable about forty feet from the front.

Two small one-story houses worth about $900 and unoccupied, a house and cooper's shop occupied by Charles Tolland, the stock of which was valued at $200, without insurance, were also destroyed. The latter building was owned by M. L. Pearce, and worth about $300.

FIRE IN THE SIXTH DISTRICT.—About one o'clock yesterday morning an alarm of fire was caused by the burning of a small frame house near the corner of Reuben and First streets, near the nothwestern limits of the city. The building was unoccupied and was set fire to a snort time ago. This time it was entirely destroyed. This time it was entirely destroyed. The house was valued at $200 and was covered by insurance.

FIRE IN SOUTH CLARK STREET.—While the engines were absent at the last-named fire, the alarm was again sounded for district No. 1, which proceeded from the burning of the two story frame building No. 127 South Clark street, occupied by B. Engel as a fancy goods store. The upper story was unoccupied. Engel's loss is about $800, the stock being entirely consumed. There was an insurance of $500 upon the stock in the Northwestern. Building owned by O. Morrison, Esq., and damaged to the amount of $150. The adjoining building occupied by Hopley & Rowe as a liquor saloon was damaged to the amount of about $100. The proprietors lose $50 in damage to their stock.

THE SUGAR CROP.—It is estimated that the sugar crop will be under 225,000 hhds., a large proportion of which is of low grades—only fit for refiners.

A SUMMER REMINISCENCE ON THE ICE QUESTION.—*Messrs. Editors:*—My attention as a householder has been attracted by a very showy and pretentious circular left with my family (and a very good illustration of ice cutting in general). But the name of the locality recalls a summer reminiscence. In the summer of 1859 I had occasion to visit the vicinity where this ice is cut, a few miles from this city, and I found a large force of men *mowing the surface of the water*, cutting down grasses and rushes, and pushing aside the *green slime*. Curious to know what should have given these men so disagreeable an occupation in a locality so proverbially unhealthy in summertime, from the malarias engendered by its almost putrid waters, which are certain, when drank in the heat of summer to produce dysentery, and death, (qualities that *perhaps* winter may *freeze out.*) I asked one of the gang, who told me it was to "get *the truck* all out of the way for them to cut ice there." Now this is a fact, as you may see yourself next summer, and the best proof now is, that all around the spot from which ice has been taken this winter, the reeds and bushrushes are a heavy growth, covering the sections of ice, not previously prepared by the summer work spoken of. I do not believe the locality will produce good, pure ice. I only began to take ice when I could get the pure and superb article from Crystal Lake.

AN OLD CITIZEN.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

REGULAR MEETING.] FEBRUARY 27, 186.

Present—Aldermen Long, Botsford, Harris, Taft, Wright, Carpenter, and Huck.

No quorum.

H. KREISMANN, Clerk.

POLITICAL.

☞ There will be a Republican Rally at H. M. Peters' Saloon, 166 South Clark street, this evening.

Tribune & Tribune
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1860.

A WORD OF CAUTION.

We have awaited, for six months after the six months' interval to the meeting of the Chicago Convention without a candidate for the Presidency; but the indecent zeal with which the claims of men have elsewhere been advocated, and the necessity of making head against some of the more alarming movements which have been started, compelled us to assume open ground in favor of the candidate of Illinois—Abraham Lincoln. In putting him forward at this juncture as the man of the hour, we have been and are yet impressed with the belief that he combines in himself more of the elements necessary to success than any man before the public. But we write not to depreciate our own action in making a nomination, but to protest against the course of a few Republicans who have declared in advance that, without this candidate or that, they would not go into the fight.

We take it that Success, is in this crisis, a Duty; and that no man loves the cause who is not willing to sacrifice his personal preferences, conquer his prejudices and bury his dislikes, to command it. We ask no man to surrender his opinions, abandon his friends, or desert any combination, before the meeting of the Convention; but we do insist that no man shall, with impunity, in advance of that event, attempt to lay down a law by which that body shall be governed. All such attempts are not merely dictatorial—they are impertinent, and deserve rebuke. The Convention will have a very difficult and responsible duty to perform. Upon its action so much for good or evil depends, that we cannot look forward to it without a shiver of fear that it may not be properly guided; but we are willing to believe that the local organizations of the party will send no unworthy men to it as delegates, and we believe further that when these delegates assemble, they will not act hastily or without taking a survey of the whole field; that their candidates will not be selected in obedience to the demands of any section, faction or clique, but with reference to the wants of the Republican party. If our judgment is confirmed and our personal feeling gratified by the nomination of Mr. Lincoln, we shall be glad; but if another is singled out for the honor which Lincoln deserves, no matter who he is, so that he represents the Republican idea, he shall have our support. We ask of others only that they be as fair, and all will go on well; but if we are to be dragooned, in the Convention or out of it, into sustaining any one of the candidates who have been named, by threatened bolting of his friends, it may be taken for granted that when the election is over, the party will have met with an overwhelming defeat.

If all others were willing to exercise the same reticence, we would be glad to put an end to all discussion of the claims of rival candidates, and say no more until the Convention meets—leaving that body to exercise its high privileges without prejudice or bias; but that being impossible, we have only to exhort those who are openly committed, to so advocate the cause of their favorites that they may not furnish arguments to the enemy against those in our party whom they oppose. We must not mention names. Those to whom our strictures apply, will need only an exercise of memory to learn that we intend to lecture them.

THE NEW YORK TIMES.

The *Times* is a Douglas paper; and its editorial remarks on the impending contest in Chicago are the most conclusive evidence that we have seen of the interest which is felt in the success of the Democratic ticket, by Mr. Douglas' eastern friends. The *Times* does well to bolster up the cause of him to whom it is devoted; but we are sorry that it finds a resort to falsehood necessary in so doing. It is not true "that the Municipal Government of "Chicago has been steadily becoming more "and more corrupt." It is not true "that all those among the citizens "who have anything at stake have felt "the absolute necessity of doing something to "secure it from the hands into which it has "fallen." Not a word true in either assertion. On the contrary, no city in the United States, of equal size and importance and containing the same elements, has a government as good as that of which Chicago can boast. No city where the same improvements are demanded is so lightly taxed. In no city do life and property enjoy greater security. In none is crime more infrequent or more certainly punished. In none are the sacredness of the elective franchise and the right of peaceable voting so well preserved. In none are the great public trusts more faithfully discharged. These things are true because Chicago has a Republican Administration in power, and they will remain true because a Republican Administration will be put in place of that now going out. What more would the *Times* have?

The *Times'* article was unquestionably written here or in Washington, and printed in New York for its expected effect in Chicago. It will be news to the voters and tax-payers most concerned.

FRAUDULENT VOTING.

We have reason to believe that the bogus Democracy hope for success in the municipal election only by a large importation of illegal votes. A gentleman whose acquaintance with the city is as extensive as that of any man in it, assures us that during the past week accessions of population in the Irish quarters have not only been very sudden but very large.—Letters have been received here from Wasalle Ottawa and Waukegan, in which the Republicans are put on guard against the gangs of Irish that are leaving those places with railroad tickets for Chicago in their hands, and, as our friends believe, with Democratic tickets in their pockets.

We hope that we are misinformed, and that no plan for invading the purity of the ballot-box is on foot; but the nature of the testimony brought under our eyes, the great number of strange Hibernian faces on the street corners, and the confident boasting of the Democracy, leave little room to doubt that the old game is to be played over again. Let the Republicans, whose duty it is to look after the frauds which the Democracy will attempt, see to this matter in time! We must not be beaten by an imported vote, cost what it will to keep it out of the polls!

THE MILWAUKEE AND MISSISSIPPI RAILROAD.

A paragraph appeared in the letter of our Madison correspondent in our issue of February 22, reflecting somewhat severely upon the management of the Chicago and Milwaukee Railroad. We have received such explanations from a perfectly reliable source, as lead to the conclusion that the matters complained of by our correspondent could not have been otherwise arranged. We are well acquainted with the Superintendent, William Jervis, Esq., and the public may rest assured that no changes would be made in the running arrangements of the road which are not rendered imperative by the necessities of its business, or for the accommodation of the community. This road is a Wisconsin and a Milwaukee road, and its friends there have a right first to be accommodated by its running arrangements. Mr. Jervis is in all respects one of the most prudent and energetic railroad managers in the West, and doubtless as soon as the Spring time tables are made up, all the matters complained of will be satisfactorily adjusted.

BIBLE-NURSING IN BOGOTA.

Elliott Anthony, Esq., responds to the call made in the PRESS AND TRIBUNE yesterday, for information touching the share which Brigadier-General George Wallace Jones, late Senator in Congress from the State of Iowa, now Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the Republic of New Granada, had in a recent anti-Episcopal Bible-burning at Bogota. We publish Mr. Jones' letter herewith, and we call attention to it as a record of facts which should cause Gen. Jones instant recall from the Mission to which he disgraces the American name. But what else could be expected from that man? All his life he has been a truckler to the Papal influence in American politics. To the efforts of the priests of the Romish Church he is indebted for his political triumphs; and it is now but natural, after having played false to his convictions for the best half of his life, that he should fear that a word of indignant remonstrance against an outrage upon the Protestant religion, would choke him if he should attempt its utterance. In gratifying contrast to the pusillanimity of the American Minister, shines out the protest of the representative of Great Britain, at Bogota. He, not in danger of the machinations of the Jesuits, spoke out as became a man, shaming by his timely words the little apostate, over whose official residence does the American flag—the world over, the sign of religious and political liberty. Which one of the Republican members of Congress will move an inquiry into Jones' disgraceful act?

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

Instructing among the Doughfaces—Lamar's Speech—Justification of Slavery—Slavery as a Negro and Whites—Wise Barth's Defence of his Vote for Pennington—His Opinion of the Republican Party.

(Special Correspondence of the PRESS and TRIBUNE.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23, 1860.

Know Nothing Smith of North Carolina, for whom the Democrats voted for Speaker, defined his position yesterday. He claimed to be a good deal more of a Know Nothing than Northwestern Democrats represented him to be when voting for him. He charged them with suppressing and misrepresenting his sentiments when giving their reasons for supporting him. There was much consternation and shaking of dry bones among the doughfaces of the West who had voted for him. I observed that Morris, Cox, Pendleton, Larrabee and McClernand were considerably alarmed at the exposure of their duplicity he was making. Some of them wanted to "explain," but the more cunning ones peremptorily resisted explanations, and clioked them down, under the rules.

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After referring to some of the outrageous legislation they had inflicted upon the people of Maryland, he said:

The locofocos, adverse to open debate and the public consideration of measures, and not elevated by the great occasions around them, they turned Legislation into a caucus, of whose decrees the Legislature was only the recording clerk. They had men among them exceedingly anxious to believe the deplorable example set by one or two Southern States, and a bill, shocking to the sense of every gentleman in Maryland, was introduced, reducing to slavery the limb, their fathers freed, and confiscating their miserable earnings, and nothing but the *unanimous shriek of indignation* that rang from one side of Maryland to the other prevented the final passage of that disgraceful measure.

It has always been a striking peculiarity of that party, which accidently predominates in Maryland, that they would allow no opportunity to pass to indicate their peculiar fidelity to the South by stirring up sectional strife, by mooting questions which sensible men ought not to argue, by libelling their neighbors, and making the men who live next door to them hateful to their fellow-citizens, by proclaiming that every man who is not a Democrat is an Abolitionist. That Legislature could be described, in its principles, aims, and policy, in no other words so well as those in which Milton describes Sin sitting at the portals of hell—"a woman to the waist, and fair," but ending below in many a slimy fold. They stood ready at any moment to let loose upon this blessed land the hell-hounds of demoniac passion, that was determined to break up, destroy, and ruin the country. In the midst of its more noisy, obstreperous and disturbing elements, there was a brood of small, timid, restless beings, incapable of striking a blow in open argument, or wielding the weapons of logic or reason, and skilful only to bark and bite. Of this brood was the honorable gentleman who moved these resolutions. These men supposed they could actually take from him the confidence of his constituents, who had stood by him through good report and through evil report, when it blew a storm as well as when it was calm. He knew his constituents, and the people of Maryland better than those *dabblers in eternal agitation*, and he said that, right or wrong, wise or unwise, this day the vote he gave for Mr. Pennington was not only approved, but honored and applauded by every man whose opinions he regarded. [Applause.] And he would be willing to meet his people upon any explanation of that vote, in the face of the whole body of that Legislature, bonded and banded into one man.

He had no apologies to make or excuses to offer. What he did he did in his judgment, and did not look across his shoulder at his constituents to see what they would say. He told his constituents before the election that he would come here a freeman or not at all. He told them that if they wanted slaves to represent them they could get a plenty, but he was not one. He foresaw then exactly what has happened—that the time might come when he would be obliged to take an independent stand, unsupported but high by men of like sentiments, and he wanted his people to know it, so that if they preferred a representative who would bend like a willow when the storm came they could choose materials suited to their work. But they had preferred to send him, and he had done what he knew they would approve, without any apologetic statement or explanation. That approval was not a reason for but a consideration after the doing.

He anticipated a resolution of this nature from the Legislature, was surprised that his own friends, with two exceptions, voted for it. He supposed they had allowed themselves to be frightened with the idea of being called Abolitionists. Among those who voted for the resolutions were some *who went through the election on its shoulders*, and did not appear to have sense enough to know that *when they saw the tree the limb to on which they stood*, they *had better saw it off.* That vote was a curious scene. The Clerk calls the name of an American once, and there is a pause, twice, and a shuffling thrice, and a hesitating response, then a period of placid repose, while Democratic names are called and earnestly responded to; then another unfortunate American is reached, and there is a shuffling. Gentlemen stand first upon one leg and then upon the other; gentlemen look over their shoulders to see if there is not some corner raising a distant cloud of dust bringing relief; some rush to consult their friends, and still their inexorable opponents, with eyes glaring upon them, all open-mouthed, sure of their prey. And in they went! In they went! [Laughter.] He was sure he would never have been able to describe the scene but for the terrible which he saw Northern Democratic Senators were considerably alarmed at the exposure of their duplicity he was making. Some of them wanted to "explain," but the more cunning ones peremptorily resisted explanations, and clioked them down, under the rules.

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After referring to some of the outrageous legislation they had inflicted upon the people of Maryland, he said:

The locofocos, adverse to open debate and the public consideration of measures, and not elevated by the great occasions around them, they turned Legislation into a caucus, of whose decrees the Legislature was only the recording clerk. They had men among them exceedingly anxious to believe the deplorable example set by one or two Southern States, and a bill, shocking to the sense of every gentleman in Maryland, was introduced, reducing to slavery the limb, their fathers freed, and confiscating their miserable earnings, and nothing but the *unanimous shriek of indignation* that rang from one side of Maryland to the other prevented the final passage of that disgraceful measure.

It has always been a striking peculiarity of that party, which accidently predominates in Maryland, that they would allow no opportunity to pass to indicate their peculiar fidelity to the South by stirring up sectional strife, by mooting questions which sensible men ought not to argue, by libelling their neighbors, and making the men who live next door to them hateful to their fellow-citizens, by proclaiming that every man who is not a Democrat is an Abolitionist. That Legislature could be described, in its principles, aims, and policy, in no other words so well as those in which Milton describes Sin sitting at the portals of hell—"a woman to the waist, and fair," but ending below in many a slimy fold. They stood ready at any moment to let loose upon this blessed land the hell-hounds of demoniac passion, that was determined to break up, destroy, and ruin the country. In the midst of its more noisy, obstreperous and disturbing elements, there was a brood of small, timid, restless beings, incapable of striking a blow in open argument, or wielding the weapons of logic or reason, and skilful only to bark and bite. Of this brood was the honorable gentleman who moved these resolutions. These men supposed they could actually take from him the confidence of his constituents, who had stood by him through good report and through evil report, when it blew a storm as well as when it was calm. He knew his constituents, and the people of Maryland better, than those *dabblers in eternal agitation*, and he said that, right or wrong, wise or unwise, this

THE FARM AND GARDEN.

Meeting of the Executive Committee of the State Agricultural Society—Applications for the State Farm—Report Received—The Exposition—The State Fair Located—Time of Holding—Cutting Down the Premium List.

[Correspondence of the PRESS and TRIBUNE.]

SPRINGFIELD, Feb. 24, 1860.

We arrived here yesterday at 5 o'clock, A. M., from the East, and the members of the Executive committee of the State Agricultural Society took passage on the same train to accept of an invitation to visit the farm and participate in the hospitalities of Ex-President Capt. J. N. Brown, whose residence is near Berlin, a few miles West of this city. The time of the Board thus far has been spent in discussing the various applications for the location of the next Fair.

Peoria, Jacksonville, Bloomington, Chicago, and Joliet are the applicants. Dr. Clapp finally withdrew the application of Peoria. Joliet did not make a formal application, but Sam. Casey presented the claims of that city, and tendered the hospitalities of the State Institution at that place to the Board, but not being in due form, was not acted upon in open session, but as Wednesday was spent in secret session, it is but fair to suppose that it was duly considered.

Last evening a Committee of the Board visited Jacksonville in reference to the location of the Fair at that place, but at this writing they have not returned. Mr. George W. Gage, of the Tremont House, is here to press the claims of Chicago, and Mr. F. W. Riley is also here on the part of the Northwestern Agricultural Association to prevent the Fair being held in Chicago. He stated that this new Society intended to hold a Fair on their own responsibility, offer a premium list of $20,000, five thousand of which would be offered in five premiums of a thousand dollars each, for the best Bull, the best Horse, the best speed, the best Steam Plow, and the most valuable new invention.

11 A. M.—The Executive Committee have just returned, or rather the Committee to visit Jacksonville, and the Board are in session, fourteen members present. Ex-President Johns probably deeming that the Board needed no further dry nursing, remained at home. In justice to Dr. Johns we have to say that he has seldom met with the Board unless to perform some important duty, and has thus been a valuable and efficient member.

President Ellsworth called the attention of the Board to an article in this morning's *State Journal*, headed "Star Chamber Proceedings," and reflecting severe y on the secret sessions of Wednesday, from which the reporter of the *Journal* was excluded, and a well known editor of Chicago permitted to remain. The article was read by Mr. Denio, and the President proceeded to say that it had been the practice of the Board to hold secret or executive sessions, and hoped that no such attacks as this would prevent their continuing to do so. Mr. Denio said that he was in no ill humor, and felt that the Board had committed an indiscretion; and however unintentionally, had laid themselves liable to these criticisms, and for one he had no complaints to make. Capt. Brown said that he had been a member of the Board since its organization, and had attended most of its meetings, and he always treated any attack of the press on himself with the contempt that it deserved; but on the part of the Board he felt more deeply any such attack on them as a body. And when first reading the article this morning, he could see in its article, a deep and malignant purpose to injure this Board. The Captain was violently excited by the "implication" the paternity of the obnoxious article to the reporter of a Chicago paper.

Dr. Kyle concurred in the remarks of Mr. Denio. Capt. Brown then withdrew the charge against the Chicago reporter, and placed the article at the door of the *Journal*.

The regular business was then taken up, and a motion made and carried to go into executive session.

Mr. Spencer of Bloomington remarked that he took exception to the right of the Board to exclude the public from its deliberations, but out of courtesy he would retire, inasmuch as he had on the part of Bloomington urged her claims for the location of the Fair.

Mr. Gage took the same ground, and both gentlemen retired.

A motion was then made inviting the editors of the *Prairie Farmer* and of the *Illinois Farmer* to take seats, but requesting them not to take notes. But it occurred to one of the members that we might use the data already taken, unless some action was had to prevent it. He therefore moved that the notes of your humble servant be *expunged*, which vote resulted in the affirmative; and as we did not wish to join or be initiated into any of the secret mysteries of agricultural progress, and as we had no time to spare for any such business in which our readers are not allowed to participate, we respectfully took leave of that honorable body. In this we disclaim any disrespect to the members, nor do we think any was intended to us.

The Board think that they not only have the right, but that it is expedient to largely exercise that right, in the holding of executive sessions. While we not only deny them the right, we think it a very injudicious policy to pursue. On Wednesday one of the city reporters danced attendance at the door for nearly all day, (and the first which I saw) in the N. Y. *Daily Times* of Jan. 25, 1860, and which is contained in a letter from the regular correspondent of that paper from Panama, who signs his name "F. W. R." and whose communications have long been considered of a high character. His reference to the subject is in the following language: "In Bogota it appears the priests have "been amusing themselves by burning Bibles. "A Mr. Duffield, agent of a British Bible Society, "has for the past three years driven a brisk "trade at Bogota, Quito and Lima by the "sale of Protestant Bibles. It is said all these "Bibles that could be collected were piled up "in front of the door of the Archbishop, and "made a big bonfire of, by his order, amid great "rejoicing on the part of the people, music, &c." The same correspondent, in writing to the same paper, and whose communication can be found in the N. Y. *Daily Times*, of Feb. 11, 1860, again refers to the same subject, in the following language: "The *Tiempo* notices the "late Bible burning in Bogota, of which I informed you in my last, as follows: The Archbishop and his clergy attracted a crowd of the curious, who, instead of hanging their heads in shame, helped him to burn in front of his palace, eight hundred volumes of books "which they said were prohibited, probably because they contained the truth. They were "Bibles, without notes, as they were translated "from the original, works of Gibbon and of Guizot, of Dumas, and Sue, and we do not know what other authors. How anxious some folks are that we should return to the epoch of the ferocious Inquisition! It is a shame that such an outrage should occur among the "people of this continent, and this when it "is claimed that we are advancing in intelligence and civilization. Superstition has reached a point here, in certain circles, humiliating to the country. We learn that these same clergy, with sticks in hand, stirred up the fire, and that a guard furnished by the "authorities, kept a space clear for their operations. To characterize acts like these, language is at fault." Mr. "F. W. R." then continues: "A letter from an officer of the United "States sloop-of-war Preble, lately at Carthagena, says that the British *Charge* protested against the act, but the *United States Minister "resident, Hon. George W. Jones*, late United "States Senator from Iowa, *attended the fete*, "and *looked on with evident satisfaction*. If this "be so, it is only another evidence of the correctness of the opinion with which I have become impressed from a long residence in "Catholic countries, that if the United States "must send diplomatic agents of that faith "abroad, they should be sent to Protestant "countries." You will see by the same letter that our Minister resident to Guatemala and Honduras, Hon. Beverly L. Clark of Kentucky, has recently entered the Catholic Church, and that the ceremonies of abjuration of the old, and the confession of the new, faith, was performed in the cathedral of the city of Guatemala with great pomp and parade.

The above accounts are the only ones which I have now at hand, although I have seen reference to the same thing in other newspapers. I am glad to render any assistance which I can, to call the public attention to an outrage so revolting to the moral and religious sentiment of the age, as is herein referred to, and trust that our Government is not yet quite so lost to all decency as to permit an occurrence of the kind to pass unnoticed.

The statements made by "F. W. R.," as to the conduct of our Minister-resident, Hon. George W. Jones, should command some attention, yet I have no where seen them commented upon or refuted. Very respectfully, yours, etc.,

ELLIOTT ANTHONY.

Chicago, Feb. 27.

The Roman Catholics of Montreal.

A great mass meeting of the English-speaking Roman Catholics of Montreal was held last Sunday afternoon, in the St. Patrick's Church, to express sympathy on behalf of the Pope. Bishop Larocque, of Montreal presided, and a considerable number of prominent gentlemen took part in the proceedings. Several fiery speeches were delivered, denouncing Napoleon without stint as "a miserable man, a professed Catholic, a practised hypocrite, a revolutionary tyrant, who in all probability has made a bargain with the secret societies that, in return for the guarantee of his life against assassin's blade, he will let loose, as he has already done, revolution in Italy." The Pope came in for a liberal share of praise, as the embodiment of all that was benevolent and liberal.

took to stump the State for Dodge and got sick very soon, and needs looking after.

Baker, the Ex. Gov. of New Hampshire, is one of the best Democrats in the Legislature. He took Judge Claggett down to "a" the other day in the Legislature, on the Democracy and patriotism of New England, and if he will stand up in the Palmetto State for the defence of the North, as he feels, and after the old Webster style, you may look for a sensation on the chivalric side.

To-night the Convention meets again to complete the election of delegates. Only half the number have yet been elected.

As intimated at the beginning of this letter, I have not much legislative news to write.

The House has ordered engrossed the bill providing for the appraisement of all property taken on execution, and yesterday raised a Committee to investigate the affairs of the Penitentiary. I half suspect no more money will be expended on Fort Madison, and consequently Penitentiary will be commenced at this place. It is said $100,000 are now required to increase the Penitentiary sufficiently to accomodate those of our citizens seeking a home, while its inhospitable walls. If so, that sum had better be expended on a new Prison in a more central part of the State. The committee are instructed to report their views upon this point.

In the Senate a lively discussion occurred on the resolution to raise this committee, which is a joint one.

The bill to abolish our present system of county government, and institute that of your own State or New York, with a Board of County Supervisors, is yet before the Senate, no partial action having yet been taken. Either your system or a board of three County Commissioners will be established.

The mail closes, while yet the Democratic Convention wrangles without a final vote for District delegates.

DAN MORRIS.

THE RICE CONTROVERSY.

Mr. Wolcott's Third Letter.

Editors Press and Tribune:

On opening your sheet, this morning, and finding the "Controversy" column still open and overflowing, I smiled, and said mentally, "Dr. Rice has declared himself on the right of revolution!" Knowing his resources as a disputant, I still could not conjecture any other remaining topic on which it would be possible for him to overrun another column of your paper. A few sentences showed me my mistake, and introduced me to the third rehearsal of "The tragedy of John Brown." Peace be to his ashes! The fact that he died in full communion with the Old School Presbyterian Church, of which he was a devout member, would soften, we should suppose, the severity of Dr. Rice's judgment of his deceased and erring brother!

I felt it my duty to expose the unfounded charge (which really deserves no lighter name than "a railing accusation") against myself and my brethren, of holding and teaching "corrupt doctrine" and "atrocious morality," less for our own sakes, and our good name, than for the public good. With the consciousness that I was personally clear, and with the documentary evidence that we had collectively condemned the teachings which were charged upon us, and inculcated the opposite, I gave the denial and the proof to the public. But for the necessity of answering some of the objections which Dr. Rice has just addressed to me, I should feel that "a dignified silence" (after what I have already advanced) were a sufficient reply to his last long communication. Though a reluctant party to this public "controversy," I am not, at heart, a controversialist, and trust that I may never have occasion to take up the lamentation of the Hebrew prophet, "Woe is me, my mother, that thou hast borne me a man of strife!"

In quoting the resolution which I offered in the R. L. Convocation, I was referring, as I supposed, to the very paper which prompted Dr. Rice's allusion, (uncalled for, as I think,) to the "prominent part" which I took in the action of that body. It had been for two years before them, and my report, which embodied it, was in his hand, and freely quoted by him during the debate. It did not occur to my recollection, at the moment of writing, that another resolution, designed to be softer (and, therefore, weaker than mine, was substituted for it the third year; and it was to this, it seems, that Dr. Rice naturally referred. I regret my inadvertence, as I would not do him the shadow of an injustice; but the wording of the resolution and report was an act of simple justice to myself, as rebutting his unauthorized inference that I withheld from the Convention the knowledge of Christian Denomination—an invidious and uncharitable position which I cannot be made to occupy. This anticipates, in part, the following question:

Ques. 2. "The polite invitation I received to be present at his installation, which, had I been in the city, I should have accepted, justified me in the conclusion that his views had undergone a change. Would not the same moral principles which constrained him to refuse Christian correspondence with the Presbyterian Church, oblige him to refuse to hold Christian and ministerial fellowship with me—knowing, as he knew, that I hold the same principles which the Church holds?"

Dr. Rice was repeatedly assured in the Convocation that while we could not consistently receive him as a slaveholder, or as the representative of slaveholders, we desired to treat him with all respect as an individual Presbyterian minister, and a Christian non-slaveholder. This consideration I urged in my reply, with a full conference to that "large proportion of the members" of his Church, who "are free from the guilt of slaveholding." Why, then, when I met him on the threshold of my ministry here, with a "polite invitation," embracing the single courtesy which it was within my province, as a *stranger*, to extend to him, should he have imputed it to any other than its true motive? Our fields of pastoral labor were to be contiguous here, and I had no other thought than that of recognizing with my fellow-laborer, as with others, every proper act of "Christian and ministerial fellowship"—with the distinct understanding that my views have undergone no change." If, indeed, I were to construe his avowal that he "holds the same principles which the Church holds," as committing him to the principles of the slaveholding portion, so that he is free from the guilt of actual relation, not from principle, but from his residence in a free State, "the same moral principles" would constrain me to withdraw the hand of fellowship. But while some of his "proslavery deductions" might fairly countenance such a construction, his "anti slavery platform" plainly contradicts it. And I was to be charged, Christian charity, (may I, without offense, commend it to my clerical neighbor?) which bids me in a case of doubtful testimony, to adopt that which is most favorable to the character of the individual.

As to his alleged complaint of some unjust charge, of which he "knew not," and for which he demand, if I know to what he refers he will find on examination that references were given of a decisive kind.

Dr. Rice's main object of attack has been Mr. Patton's sermon, to which (as I had taken up my pen again) I intended to refer; but I have thought it best to defer for the present, as it might be hardly fair for me to pre-occupy the ground which its author can more ably defend. I am glad that it is so accessible to your readers, for they will find, I am sure, that though a difficult pulpit theme, its statements are guarded and not open to the construction which has been put upon them. Take, for instance, the phrase, "reasonable prospect of success," which Dr. Rice quotes as if Mr. Patton meant simply success in exciting insurrection, or success in defeating the oppressors, when he evidently means success in the broader sense of achieving and maintaining genuine liberty, and consolidating free institutions, as our fathers did. I not only do not find a word in it which favors mere *slave insurrection*, but I find a positive and repeated reprobation of it. But while condemning this, Mr. Patton guarded, as I think he was bound to do, "the sacred right of revolution." Does Dr. Rice believe in the latter? The point on which Mr. Patton claimed and expressed "sympathy with John Brown," was in the general object of securing freedom to the slaves;" and if any man *deserves* to be a slave, it is the freeman who does not sympathize with this object. The candid readers of this sermon will, I believe, finish its perusal with very favorable impressions of its moral tone.

Dr. Rice has used many words in elaborating his views of John Brown invasion, but after all, has his own conclusion been any where stated more clearly and tersely than in the columns of the *Congregational Herald*, which had, within, by three months, the start of him—and by the pen, I may add, of Mr. Patton?

"*We have no approbation to express of such enterprises as that of Brown. They do wrong that good may come of it—they accomplish no good. They are not to be confounded with the right of revolution, and they throw formidable obstacles in the way of peaceful Christian reform.*"

It has been my purpose to meet fairly every point presented by Dr. Rice, and it occurs to me that direct answers to his leading questions may be to some minds a more effectual disposal of his alleged "two facts;" and with these, of course, falls the bloody superstructure which he has reared upon them.

Ques. 3. "I distinctly admitted that they condemned his movement; but I said they condemned it on the single ground that there was not a reasonable prospect of success. Is this statement true or untrue? This is the question which Mr. Wolcott must meet—from which he cannot escape."

Ans. It is perfectly true in the sense in which Mr. Patton used it, as explained above; it is equally untrue in the sense which Dr. Rice attaches to it, a rigid analysis showing that it was the simple and guarded assertion of the indefeasible right of revolution. By the phrase "successfully take and defend their rights," Mr. Patton obviously contrasts, obtain the blessings of a substantial freedom. He introduced it with the remark, "If it were previously certain that they had sufficient resources," etc., "I provided a leader could be secured," etc., and Dr. Rice adds, "this covers the case of John Brown precisely." How evident it is, to the most superficial reader, that it does not cover this case, and the difference between the two statements would have been still more striking, if Mr. Patton had been more fully quoted, and allowed the benefit of his own italics.

As it cannot be known until the appearance of Dr. Rice's next letter, whether he holds to the right of revolution or not, (though I infer that he does,) we need not, as farther, under this, his second "fact," to fortify ourselves against the charge of "corrupt and atrocious doctrines;" but I wish to remind him, in advance, that our Christian fathers of the Revolution held that right, as we do, and exercised it too, without "waiting and praying" for the bloody day. The "martyrdom" of Warren was not a coveted sacrifice to liberty; the carnage of the battle-field was not an object of Christian desire; this was sternly accepted as a freedom's last, and therefore holy, resort. I will not deny to the oppressed of any land, the right, if practicable, to win for themselves and their posterity, in all coming time, the guerdon of civil and religious liberty, though my whole soul is breathed into the prayer, that the peaceful abolition of slavery in this land may be a fresh gem in my Saviour's crown.

Quest. 4. "Can he [Mr. Wolcott] quote a single respectable Christian moralist or statesman, who has ever confounded the right of revolution on the part of oppressed communities, as in the case of our revolutionary fathers, with the rightfulness of slave insurrection; or with the right of individuals or nations to invade slaveholding States, for the forcible emancipation of slaves?"

Ans. I *do* not yourself confound them, and would not, if I could, fortify a false position.

Quest. 5. "Will Mr. Wolcott venture, in the face of such language, to deny that he and his brethren have maintained John Brown a *Christian martyr?*"

Ans. I do emphatically deny it. This is Dr. Rice's first "fact," and the phrase is his, and not ours. A Christian martyr, as the public properly

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WESTERN NEWS ITEMS.

WESTERN UNITARIAN CONVENTION.—The Rev. Dr. Bellows is expected to preach at the Western Unitarian Convention, to be held in this city in June next. Drs. Osgood and Frothingham, of New York, Dr. Furness of Philadelphia, Rev. J. F. Clarke, S. E. Hale, Longfellow and other clergymen, with a large delegation of ladies and gentlemen from the Eastern States, are expected.

The learned and cultivated Brahmin, Gangooly, the only Hindoo of the caste of Brahmins that has ever been converted to Christianity, is also to be here. The presence of so many men eminent in the theological and literary world, will impart much interest to this Convention.—*Quincy Republican.*

SORGHUM SUBJECT.—Mr. J. W. Badger yesterday left at this office a sample of some sorghum syrup, made by him for Freeland & Starky, White Hall, Green county, Ill. Having had a number of years' experience in making sugar in Georgia and Louisiana, Mr. B. is therefore enabled to make this syrup a success in Illinois. The samples shown us were of a lot of 4,000 gallons, which he states did not cost to exceed 20 cents per gallon, and sold readily for 55 and 65 cents per gallon. By ordinary culture it can be made to yield an average and sure crop of sorghum, whereas only about one crop in three of wheat is secured.—*Jersey, Ill., Paintdealer.*

WHEAT IN MACOUPIN COUNTY.—The last number of the Carlinville (Ill.) *Spectator* says:—"The prospects of a good wheat crop in this county are anything but encouraging. Farmers inform us that it is badly injured by the unseasonable freezing weather in January last, and from present appearances the crop will scarcely average half a crop."

A BREAK UP.—Warm weather in the beginning of the week with southern rains have made a great break with the ice in the Illinois and Fox Rivers at this point, and since Thursday both are clear and considerably swollen. For a time some the Illinois is open for boats to La Salle.—*Ottawa Free Advocate, Saturday.*

MAD DOGS.—The country seems to be full of them again. We have heard of a dozen having been killed in a week or two in this county—three of them in Ottawa. South of the Illinois River—in the region of the Vermillion and Otter Creek—they are said to have been quite numerous, so that the farmers have killed all their dogs, &c. Cattle, sheep, &c., have been bitten quite "numerously," we have been informed, but thus far no humans.—*Ottawa Free Trader.*

A REVOLVER.—A fellow named John Harper, a journeyman painter, who is working on the State House, this part of the State, lecturing on "Reform." While at this place a week or two since, he borrowed the walking coat of a recently married merchant here, to wear to a ball, and the next morning vamosed the ranche, taking the coat, and leaving his bills unpaid. This is no new thing for this "reformer," who can only be reformed himself by a long stay at the institution for which he might receive a prescription at Alton.—*Lyle County (Ill.) Reporter.*

THE SCARLET FEVER.—The scarlet fever is yet prevailing among the children of Polo. This disease has made sad havoc among the little ones. Of late cholera had prevailed, and taken off as many, in the short space of time as this disease, how dreadful would have been the alarm.—*Polo (Ill.) Banner.*

FATAL ACCIDENT.—On Tuesday morning last, E. R. Reed, residing at Smoot's Point, Menard Co. (Ill.), accidentally killed himself in the following manner:—Supposing his gun to be unloaded, he applied his mouth to the muzzle for the purpose of blowing through the gun to see whether the vent was clear, at the same time placing his finger upon the hammer to raise it from the tube. The gun happened to be loaded—his foot slipped off the hammer, and the discharge followed. The load passed through his neck, killing him instantly.

—The Jay County (Ind.) *Torchlight* says that there is a great deal of sickness in that region at. In one school district there were thirty persons taken sick, with one or two deaths. Measles, putrid sore throat, pleurisy, and fevers are the prevailing complaints.

THE PIKERY.—We learn from the Wolf River *Pioneer* that the season, though this, is sufficient in the woods to make very comfortable working, and a large quantity of logs are being hauled into the river. Our readers will all rejoice at this, as so much of our country's real prosperity depends upon the coming down of the logs, that it has passed into a proverb, that everything is "all right" when the logs come down the river."—*Oshkosh (Wis.) Democrat.*

SILVER AND COPPER MINES.—We learn from Mr. T. C. Pound, of Chippewa Falls, that silver and copper have recently been found in the vicinity of that place, and that he has learns by letter that considerable excitement exists there on the subject.—*Madison (Wis.) State Journal.*

RAILROAD BONDS.—The report has gained credence in town that all the Racine and Mississippi Railroad bonds were originally sold for a small fraction of their par value. The facts are these: $75,000 of the bonds were turned out to the contractors who were building the road, at par. The balance, $25,000, were hypothecated by the Road as security for the above $75,000 indebtedness, and can probably not be redeemed at much less than their face.—*Beloit (Wis.) Journal.*

RAILROAD BUSINESS.—One of the cheering signs of local prosperity is the rapidly increasing freight item in the books of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad in this place. The other day we noticed about 200 fine looking, stalwart Germans, who had stored away, awaiting shipment to different points in Northern Wisconsin. They came from Whitewater, and teams were arriving direct from there with more of the same sort.—*Fort Atkinson (Wis.) Standard.*

FORTUNATE.—LAST WEEK Mr. Lewis Bennett, (a blind man,) and Mr. William Taylor, as partners in mining, struck a very fine prospect for a lead, in ground of D. A. Barrows, on the east side of the river, from which they took out in a short time about 5,000 lbs of the best quality of mineral. The poor men, of course, were greatly elated with their success; and while thus indulging themselves warmly was brought to Mr. Taylor that a "mourning letter," to his address, was in the postoffice. He hastened thither, and found it to be a telegraphic dispatch announcing the death of his mother, leaving him a fortune of $20,000. Mr. Taylor is a ropemaker by trade, and lives in Fox Lake.—*Galena Advertiser.*

SUICIDE OF FORD PLAT.—A Mr. J. H. Allen and wife took an orphan babe some two months ago to adopt. It died about a month ago very suddenly and was buried. Recently the wife thinks that the child died of a natural death. It was at once disinterred and a coroner's jury empanneled, who returned a verdict of suspicion of foul play. Mr. Allen has been arrested and is now in jail.—*Ogle County (Ill.) Herald.*

THE DIVISION OF FORD BY LAC COUNTY.—The Supreme Court gave a decision on Tuesday morning, in the case of the State ex rel. B. H. Spaulding vs. De Witt Elwood, Register of the county of Green Lake. The Court fully sustained the constitutionality and validity of the act authorizing the detaching of the Town and city of Ripon from the county of Fond du Lac, and attaching the same to the county of Green Lake. The relator has leave to amend the complaint, and the defendant has twenty days to answer the amended complaint.—*Milwaukee Wisconsin.*

OFF FOR THE MINES.—A company of young men consisting of Fred. Buckmond, Henry E. Edwards, Peter Ronan, (a typo), Gus. Quade, and John Murray, pull up stakes to-morrow morning and leave for the gold mines of Kansas, where they hope to make a fortune a little easier than it can be done in these diggings.—*Dubuque Times.*

—The steamer E. A. Ogden was sunk in the Missouri January 28, 1860, at the 234 inst., a few miles above Jefferson City, having encountered a snag.

PERSONAL.

Sir William Gore Ouseley, lady, and Miss Ouseley and servants are staying at Nassau, N. P. It is their intention to come on to New York in the next trip of the Karnak.

A BOSTON LADY CELEBRATING THE 22D.—Among the agreeable incidents of the celebration of Washington's birthday in Boston, was the reception held by Mrs. Harrison Gray Otis at her residence. Mrs. Otis's receptions have become regular events of the holiday, and on this last occasion her rooms were crowded with distinguished visitors.

—A bill providing for the removal of the remains of Gen. Jackson and those of his wife from the Hermitage to Nashville, and their interment in the Capitol Square, and for the erection of a suitable monument over the same, to the memory of the old hero, passed the Senate of Tennessee, on its third reading, by a unanimous vote.

—The Richmond *Enquirer* states that, at the late Richmond Convention, the enemies of Mr. Wise distributed among the delegates vast numbers of handbills, entitled:

"Don't vote for the turn-coat Wise!"

The same paper intimates that the Governor's old opponents, the Know-Nothings, had wormed their way into the Democratic party, for the purpose of thwarting the defeat of 1855.

They tell a story of the mother of Cassius M. Clay, a venerable Kentucky matron of eighty years old or thereabout, to this effect: She was told of a report which had got abroad, that the zealous Democratic men of the county in which her son lives, had given him notice to quit, "They need not give Cassius notice to quit," said the resolute old lady "he will not go; and for my part I had rather see him without his head, than hear of his deserting the post of duty."

REV. T. L. HARRIS AND SPIRITUALISM.—The *Spiritual Magazine*, published in London on the 1st of February, denies the truth of the story that Mr. Harris is a seceder from Spiritualism and has assailed it in his discourses in England. The story would seem to have originated in a report of one of his discourses by the London *Morning Advertiser*, in respect to which the *Magazine* says, that "the delinquent writer entirely misrepresented the purport and statements of the discourse, and that he amusingly erred in treating Mr. Harris as a seceder from the holy cause."

The *Magazine* also announces that Mr. Harris is lecturing to the Spiritualists of London twice every Sunday at Hanover Square Institute in Edward street, Portman Square.

THURLOW WEED (in the Albany *Evening Journal*,) says of the Presidential nomination:

"With the advantage of a good many years' experience, we are quite unable to form, at this time, any opinion as to whom we should nominate for President. The policy and action of our Convention is not unlikely to be affected by that of our opponents. Other conditions and circumstances may occur to render what may appear wise now, wholly inexpedient when our Convention assembles. Hence we have preferred to leave our Convention unembarrassed by any previous preferable or discussions, to act upon its convictions and judgement with all the evidence before it, when a Standard Bearer is to be chosen."

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Unincumbered Real Estate	30,000 00
Loans secured by pledge of stocks and bonds	25,000 00
Loans secured by personal security	5,000 00
Notes receivable for premiums	30,000 00
Bills receivable	10,000 00
Hartford City Bonds, 6 per cent	5,000 00
Hartford Bank Stock, (1 mo., Ohio, Michigan, Indiana)	4,000 00
Hartford Fire Insurance Co. Stock	5,000 00
Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Co. Stock	2,000 00
Scrip	1,000 00
Interest accrued	16,000 00
Premiums in course of transmission	30,000 00
Total Assets	$377,388 11

Insurances against loss or damage by fire on dwellings, furniture, stores, merchandise, mills, manufactories, vessels in port, and other kinds of property, can be effected in the above company upon as favorable terms as those of any other institution in the country.

Applications for insurance will be received at the office of the Company, in the Western or South Western State, and promptly attended to.

HOSEA BALDWIN, President.
S. W. COE, Secretary.
ROBERT BUNCE, Agent, Chicago.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE
Niagara Fire Insurance Comp'y,
OF THE CITY

Financial and Commercial.

MONETARY.

MONDAY EVENING, Feb. 27.

The supply of exchange is becoming sensibly less, and in the course to-day it was firm at the ruling rates at the banks, viz: ½ per cent. premium for currency. The banks are overburthened with currency which they find no opportunity to use safely and profitably. Discounts therefore for strictly business paper are very readily obtained. No other finds the least favor, and holders may as well save themselves the trouble of presenting it, as bankers prefer to let their funds lie idle rather than to trust it in any thing else than the safest possible paper. They are certain that in thirty or forty days more they will find abundant employment for all the capital they can command.

Gold 93@94.

Street brokerage scarcely deserves a quotation the transactions are so few. Rates are nominal at 1½@2 per month.

WESTERN BANKING.

The sentiments in the following article from the *N. Y. Courier and Enquirer*, have often been referred to in these columns. They are so true and important that they will bear repetition:

The unsatisfactory condition of the currency in the West has often been the subject of remark in these columns, and we have pointed out the many disasters its influence is and has been on the financial and commercial interests of that section. The creation of Banks, for the sole purpose of issuing bills to be circulated as money, has become a mania with Western men; and in Illinois and Wisconsin it is to notorious that Banks are established without any capital whatever, but by persons who have just credit enough to induce New York houses to purchase bonds for them and await their payment until the currency has been put in circulation. The modus operandi is as follows. The person determined on issuing gives notice to the Auditor or Comptroller of the State, that he intends establishing a Bank at a certain place, and receives from him an order to get plates engraved; he comes on to New York, and depositing his order with the engraver, contracts for the printing of the amount of bills required. The bills, when printed, are forwarded by the engraver to the Auditor. The Banker now calls upon a Stock-broker here, and informs the firm that he wants bonds to the amount of, say $95,000 Missouri Bonds, and that they are to be forwarded by the New York house to the Auditor, accompanied by an order from the officers of the new bank for the bills. The stocks are regularly entered on the books of the Auditor as the property of the bank when they reach, have no ownership in them; the bills are countersigned and registered, and delivered to the New York house, or its agent, who purchases exchange for them as fast as practicable, and thus reimburses his principal. The charge for this sort of business is usually from one to two per cent. commission, with interest until the money is received back and all disbursements paid. As there is little or no risk in the business, it is a very profitable one for the New York house, and Western men have no difficulty in making their arrangements for those kind of services; but such proceedings illustrate forcibly the defects of system, and show conclusively that the nominal capital of the banks may be nothing more than a nominal capital. It is generally the custom to have an office at the place designated as the place of business of the bank, where a clerk is kept, who pays and receives the bank by doing an exchange business, but it is by no means a general rule.

We published a list of seventeen Banks in Wisconsin, a few days ago, the owners of which, with a lofty appreciation of the actual effect of the system, obtain according to popular prejudices in the matter, and boldly issue their bills; after having given to this airy fabric of their fancy a name, they deem it entirely superfluous to accord to it a "local habitation." Such abuses of a system must eventually result in its overthrow. The use of paper money is as a substitute for the precious metals, and the theory is that every paper dollar is the representative of a gold one, and human forethought has so elaborated the science of Banking that it is not necessary that for every paper dollar issued a gold one should be retained; but the circulation of currency is subject to known laws which will prevent it ever all coming back for redemption at once. It could not be redeemable, however, in specie to be interfered with, and how much the currency the West falls short of that state of perfection may be estimated from the price of gold in Chicago, which is often and usually 10 per cent. premium over the paper money. The West is therefore conducting its business with a degraded currency, and a dollar does not mean a dollar but ninety-eight cents. The only reason why the people submit to such a state of things is to be found in the fact, notwithstanding its inconvertibility on demand, the depreciation of stocks renders the currency secure. This is a great point, but it is not everything, and the element of flexibility in a paper currency is just as necessary as security.

The violation of all rules of sound Banking thus to be found in the West is a sure indication of a rotten financial system, and it is rapidly eating its way into the very life of Western prosperity.

It has been reserved, however, for the people of Missouri to apply to the subject of finance a new argument against the necessity of specie payments which the older writers on political economy have overlooked, and a mob at Chillicothe has more effectually presented the depletion of the specie of its Bank than all the laws of finance which have been invented since the days of Adam Smith. The people of a town rising en masse and driving out of it the hardy adventurer who would dare to present to the bank its bills for payment is the very sublime of banking science, and logically followed out on all the relations of life, would save a vast amount of trouble. The Bank of England will regulate the Exchanges by raising or depressing its rate of interest, although some sound financialists doubt that; but there can be no doubt whatever but the Bank of the State of Missouri at Chillicothe may maintain the integrity of its specie payments by appealing to the citizens, who will see the propriety of the course to be presented. Seriously, the Banks of Missouri learn honesty, and must do as they contract with the public to do, before they can with any show of reason, come to this city in search of additional capital.

COMMERCIAL.

FRIDAY EVENING, Feb. 27, 1857.

The following are the receipts and shipments for the past twenty-four hours:

	Flour	Wh't	Corn	Oats	Rye	Barley	Grass
	bbls.	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.
C. & A. R. R.	2,000	7,000	1,000	1,000	400	200	200
C. & R. I. R. R.	1,000	3,000	1,000	1,000	400	200	200
R. & Quincy R. R.	1,000	3,000	1,000	1,000	400	200	200
C. & M. R. R.	1,000	3,000	1,000	1,000	400	200	200
C. & Ald. R. R.	1,000	3,000	1,000	1,000	400	200	200
Total	6,000	19,000	5,000	5,000	2,000	1,000	1,000

	Dressed Hogs	Live Cattle	Hides	Wool	High. Cat. No. Sh'p'd Last
	No.	No.	No.	Lbs.	No.
C. & A. R. R.	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
C. & R. I. R. R.	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
R. & Quincy R. R.	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
C. & M. R. R.	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
C. & Ald. R. R.	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Total	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000

FLOUR AND GRAIN IN STORE.

The amount of flour and grain in store in this city on the 18th inst. compares with the two previous years as follows:—

	Feb. 18, 1857.	Feb. 18, 1856.	Feb. 18, 1855.
	bbls.	bbls.	bbls.
Flour, bbls.	31,614	27,200	34,100
	bush.	bush.	bush.
Wheat, Spring, bu.	494,024	227,467	1,216,557
" White	30,272	22,000	82,000
Total Wheat, bu.	524,741	249,779	1,298,557
Corn, bu.	172,402	26,447	3,921
Oats, bu.	125,000	97,000	75,000
Rye, bu.	5,000	17,778	75,000
Barley, bu.	3,500		
Total Grain, bu.	1,214,304	714,888	1,263,000

There was less inquiry for flour to-day, but the receipts were light and on comparatively little offering, which caused holders to be firm. The sales were therefore limited at $4.75@4.95 for fair to choice Spring extras, $4.95 for good Spring superfine, $5.87½ for good White Winter, and $4.50 for choice Rye flour. Wheat was in good demand for milling and shipment, at Saturday's prices, but sellers were generally holding at an advance, and the transactions were light at an improvement of 1c. A lot of No. 1 White in bags was sold at $1.87½@1.88. The sales of Spring were made at $1.00@1.01 for No. 2 in store; 90c for rejected in store, and $1.02@1.05 for lots by sample on track. The receipts of Corn were light, and the market opened firm, with sales of No. 1 at 44c in store, and subsequently advancing to 45c, at which about [illegible] bushels [illegible] in a single [illegible] (reported to be for a city bank). As soon, however, [illegible] order was filled, the market settled down again and closed quiet at 44@44½c. The entire sales of the day amount to nearly 100,000 bushels, at 44@45c for No. 1, 42c for No. 2; and 41@41½c for Rejected. The report of the New York market also doubtless tended to render the market heavy—35,000 bushels being reported for June delivery at 45c. The market for oats was quiet, with sales at 35@36c for No. 1 on track. Rye was in good demand for shipment, and, more active at 80c for No. 1 in store and on track. Barley was in good shipping request and advanced 2@3c, with sales of No. 1 at 66c in store, and 65@67c on track. Seeds were generally dull and languid. Timothy was so low as to be prime, and about 10c on inferior grades, with sales at a range of $2.25@2.50 for inferior to prime. There was scarcely any inquire for Clover Seed, and the market was dull and languid, with a heavy stock offering. Hungarian Grass was in good supply, with little or no inquiry, under which 100 bushels fair quality have sold at 75c, a decline of 15c. Highwines steady at 19½@19¾c.

In provisions we have no transactions to report—the market being quiet but firm at $17.00 for Mess Pork. Bulk Meats same. Lard is in good demand at 10½c, but is generally held at 10¾@10½c, and the only transactions which took place, was a sale of 21 brls Leaf at $10.80. Tallow is fair at 10½c.

THE STOCK OF COIN ON THE CANAL ARE EXCESSIVELY SMALL.—An intelligent observer, who has just returned from a trip along the Illinois and Michigan Canal and the Illinois River, as far down as Bath, reports the following as the following as the amount of corn in store at the points named:

At Lockport,	
Morris,	30,000 bushels.
Marseilles,	200,000
Ottawa,	75,000
Peru and Lasalle,	50,000
Henry,	40,000
Hennepin,	70,000
Chillicothe,	50,000
Spring Bay,	50,000
Spring Lake,	175,000
Farmington,	50,000
Havana,	50,000
Bath,	100,000
Total,	1,440,000

There are several places intervening between the above-named points, but they are not very important. The great bulk of this corn will probably come to Chicago—Bath being the point where the Corn usually turns this way. The Canal, it is expected will be opened early—probably about the 12th or 15th of March. Should it be later, considerable may go southward, as the river is now open to Lasalle, and several boat loads have been already shipped from some of the above points for St. Louis. With the present fine weather, however, an early opening is highly probable.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 25.—The *Gazette* of Saturday reviews the markets as follows:

The decline in provisions yesterday and day before, brought out some buyers to-day, and there was a fair degree of life in the market for bacon and bulk meats, with sales of 220 hhds sides at 9½c; 20,000 lbs do at 7½c, 24 and 10½c for shoulders, 8½c for hams; bulk meats, 300,000 lbs sold at $6.40 for shoulders, 9c for medium sizes, and 9½c for extra heavy do. The demand for bulk sides comes mostly from operators connected with the English trade. We heard of no demand for mess pork, good city brands were offering at $17.50. Of lard, 200 brls and kegs sold at 10½c. Nothing of consequence was done in flour; the market was dull and heavy. No change in grain. Whisky in moderate demand at 30½c. There was a fair demand for sugar, and a firmer feeling prevail, ed, under the advices from New Orleans. Prices quoted from parties regarded as reliable state that the crop will be under 225,000 hhds. This is 50,000 hhds more than was anticipated early in the season, but 25,000 less than late estimates. This caused an advance at New Orleans to 7½@7¾c for fully fair. Molasses dull at 42@43c. The receipts and exports of leading articles at this port to-day were:

RECEIPTS.		EXPORTS.	
Apples, brls	150	Molasses, brls	225
Barley, bu	3,500	Pork, brls	50
Butter, kegs	125	Pork & Bacon, hhds	70
Coffee, bags		do	60
Corn, bu	44,000	do	30
Corn, ear, bu	44	do	20
Flour, brls	1,574	do	10
Hay, tons	30	Lard, kegs	111,500
Hogs, No	176	Potatoes, brls	1,707
Lard, kgs	158	Sugar, hhds	20
Lard, bbls	35	Wheat, bu	222
Pork, brls		Whisky, brls	964

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 26.—Flour is dull, without any change in prices. Whisky unsettled, and prices are nominally unchanged. Mess Pork quiet at $18.25@18.50. A moderate demand for 200 hhds at 5½c, 10c and 12c for shoulders, sides and clear sides. Spirits Turpentine is selling at 46@47c. Sugar firmer and in good demand for 7½c for fully fair. Molasses unchanged and dull. Coffee firm. Lard dull at 10½c for prime brl. Sight Exchange on New York has advanced ½ to premium.

ALBANY, Feb. 24.—Flour—The trade is very moderate, principally to city dealers. Corn Meal 14@15s. Grain—Nothing reported in Wheat. A small parcel of Rye sold from store at 81c; in the street, 83c. In Barley there have been further sales at full rates; yesterday afternoon 7,000 bu Chicago at 80c; to-day 4,000 do State four-rowed at 79c, and 1,000 do do in car-lots, at 75c. At New York, yesterday, Barley was in brisk demand, principally to fill Southern orders; sales 28,000 bu at 76@78c for two-rowed State, and 80c for four-rowed do (winter). Oats in the street 40@42c for Western, and 43c for State. Corn in the street, 70c in this side. Whisky at 30 bbls at 22½c.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Receipts, 561 bbls flour; 601 bu oats; 112 bu rye; 55 pkgs pork; 133 do beef; 246 do lard; 965 Dressed Hogs.

BOSTON—Feb. 24.—Corn Exchange—The receipts since yesterday have been 5531 brls flour, 28,876 bu corn, 2534 bu oats, and 7354 bu shorts. The demand for flour continues moderate but market has fallen off 25@37½ for common brands Western; $5.50@5.62½ for fancy and trade brands; $5.87½@6.25 for extras; and $6.25@6.75 for low to superior. Including all kinds. Southern flour is quiet at $5.50@6.50 for fancy; $6.25@6.75 for extras, and $7@8 per brl for family. Rye flour at 87½@90c per bu for Southern yellow; and white at 94@95c per bu. Oats are selling at 45@47c per bu for Northern and Canada. Rye at 92c per bu. Shorts at $25, and fine feed at $26@27 per ton. Provisions—The market for pork is firm at $15@16 for mess; $19@19.50 for clear mess; and $20@21 per brl for clear, cash and 4 mos. Beef ranges from $9@12.50 per brl for Eastern and Western mess. Lard at 11½@11¾c in brls, and 12@12¾c per lb in kegs. Smoked hams at 11c per lb, cash and 4 mos.

LOUISVILLE, Feb. 24th.—Provisions daily sales 76 barls mess pork in small lots on orders at $18 50 clear sides in one lot at 11c, and 95 casks and 10 tierces bacon on orders at previous prices. Flour unchanged. Sales of 150 brls extra country at $5 75. Wheat, corn and oats unchanged.

PHILADELPHIA SEED MARKET, Feb. 24.—The receipts of cloverseed are small, but there is not much inquiry, except for strictly prime lots. Small sales at $4 75@4 87½ ₩ 65 lbs. Flaxseed is scarce and held firm on arrival at $1 60 ₩ bushel. The last sale of Timothy was at $3 50.

Daily Review of Chicago Market.

MONDAY EVENING, Feb. 27.

FLOUR—Receipts, 670 bbls. Market quiet and firm. Sales were—300 bbls "Trunull" Spring extra on p. t.; 100 bbls choice Spring extra at $5.50 dat; 100 bbls "Scribner's" do at $4.90 dat; 80 bbls fair Spring Extra at $4.75 dat; 20 bbls "Rock River" Superfine at $4.75 dat; 25 bbls White Winter at $5.87½ dat; 50 sks "Beloit City" choice Rye Flour at $4.20 dat.

CORN MEAL—7 tons Unbolted Corn Meal at $17 ₩ ton in sacks.

WHEAT—Receipts, 4,847 bu. Market advanced 1c. Sales were:—300 bu No 1 Spring at 90c; 700 bu No 2 Spring at 87½c in store; 1400 bu do at 87½c in store; 2,000 bu do at 88c in store; 700 bu do at 88½c in store; 8,000 bu do at 89c in store; 7000 bu do, for delivery all this week at seller's option, at 88½c in store; 63,000 bu do in lots at 88c in store; 5000 bu do at 88c in store, for delivery this week at seller's option; 4000 bu do at 88½c; 2000 bu No 2 at 84c in store; 2000 bu Rejected at 81c in store; 2000 bu do at 81½c in store; 700 bu do at 82c on track.

OATS—Receipts, 4,027 bu. Quiet and unchanged. Sales were:—1600 bu No 1 on p. t.; 2,000 bu No 1 at 36c on track; and closed at 35½@36c bid.

RYE—Receipts, 402 bu. In better demand and firm. Sales were:—800 bu No 1 at 80c in store; 700 bu do at 80c on track; 2 bbls inferior at 75c on track.

BARLEY—Receipts, 1129 bu. Advanced 2@3c. Sales were:—800 bu No 1 at 66c in store; 700 bu do at 80c on track; 400 bu No. 2 at 60c on track.

SEEDS—Receipts, 4,332 lbs. Clover Seed extremely dull. Sales:—5 brls prime at $6.25. Timothy Seed declined 5c. Sales were as large as 50 bu prime at $2.80; 37 bags fair at $2.75; 15 bags do at $2.77½; 10 bags prime at $2.85; 20 bags do at $2.82½; 10 bags do at $2.80; 30 bags prime common at $2.75. Hungarian Grass declined 10@15c. 100 bu fair were sold at 75c.

HIGHWINES—Receipts, 139 brls. Steady. 20 brls at 19½c; 80 brls at 20c.

ALCOHOL—Six per gal.

DRESSED HOGS—Receipts, 61. Nothing except at retail.

PROVISIONS—Quiet and nominal at $17.00 for Mess Pork.

LARD—Good inquiry. Sales:—21 brls prime Leaf at $10.80.

TALLOW—Firm at 10@10½c.

HIDES—Receipts, 7,264 lbs. Steady at 7@7½c for Green, 7@8½c for Green Salted, and 14c for Dry Flint.

BUTTER—Dull. Sales were 2—50 kegs at 10c; 2 brls 20@23c—at 10c; 2 brls at 12c; 2 brls at 11c.

POULTRY—Dressed Chickens, $2@2.50 per doz. Turkeys, 6@10c per lb.

POTATOES—50@55c per bu, with a fair demand.

LIVE STOCK.—Receipts 80 cars Cattle, 7 cars Hogs and 1 car Sheep. Shipped 75 cars Cattle. The market was active for Cattle, with large transactions, but last week prices were hardly sustained. Hogs were dull and unchanged.

The sales yesterday and to-day, at Sherman's yards were:

31 Cattle, averaging	1373	lbs. at	$4.25
19	1307		4.20
19	1307		4.20
19	1307		4.20